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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

EIJI OHARA

Application No.: 09/768,329

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The Commissioner for Patents
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under
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37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is
directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form
PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the
following co-pending U.S. Application:

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T. Suzuki, et al.

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A copy of the cited Application is enclosed.

Applicant submits that no fee is required for consideration of this information since it is being submitted within three (3) months of the filing date.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,


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